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When, the Regiment, which had twelve mountain guides with it, reached the glacier, after two and a-half hours' march, everyone was tired, each Company being divided into three or four sections of about twenty-five men each. It took four hours, during which an icy wind was added to other discomforts, to reach the end of the glacier, where the Leipzig Shelter Hut stands, at an altitude of about ten thousand feet; but, as another glacier had to be crossed afterwards, the men could not be unroped, and went on without a halt to the Dalmier Shelter Hut, which was reached after another hour and a-half. Here the men cooked their dinner, after which they resumed the march, and reached St. Johann, in the Ahrnthal, their next sleeping place, in another two hours. The day's march was therefore, one of ten hours.

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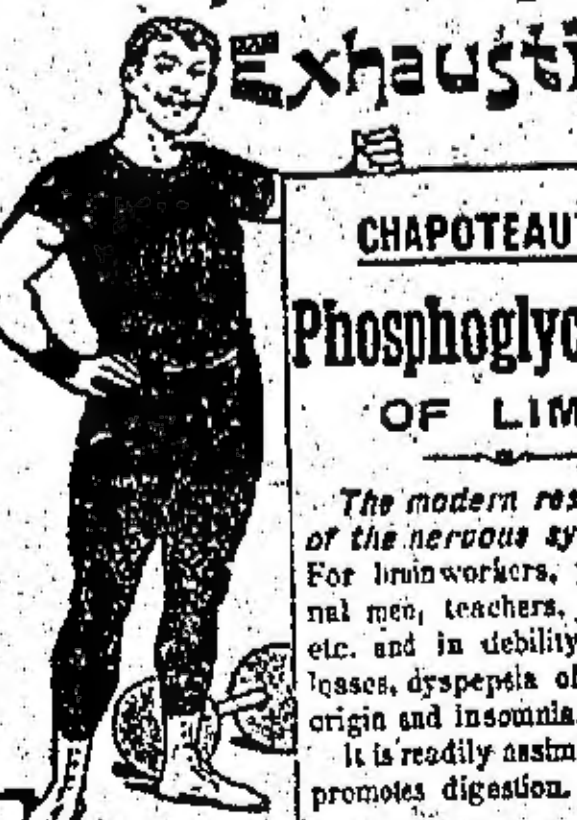
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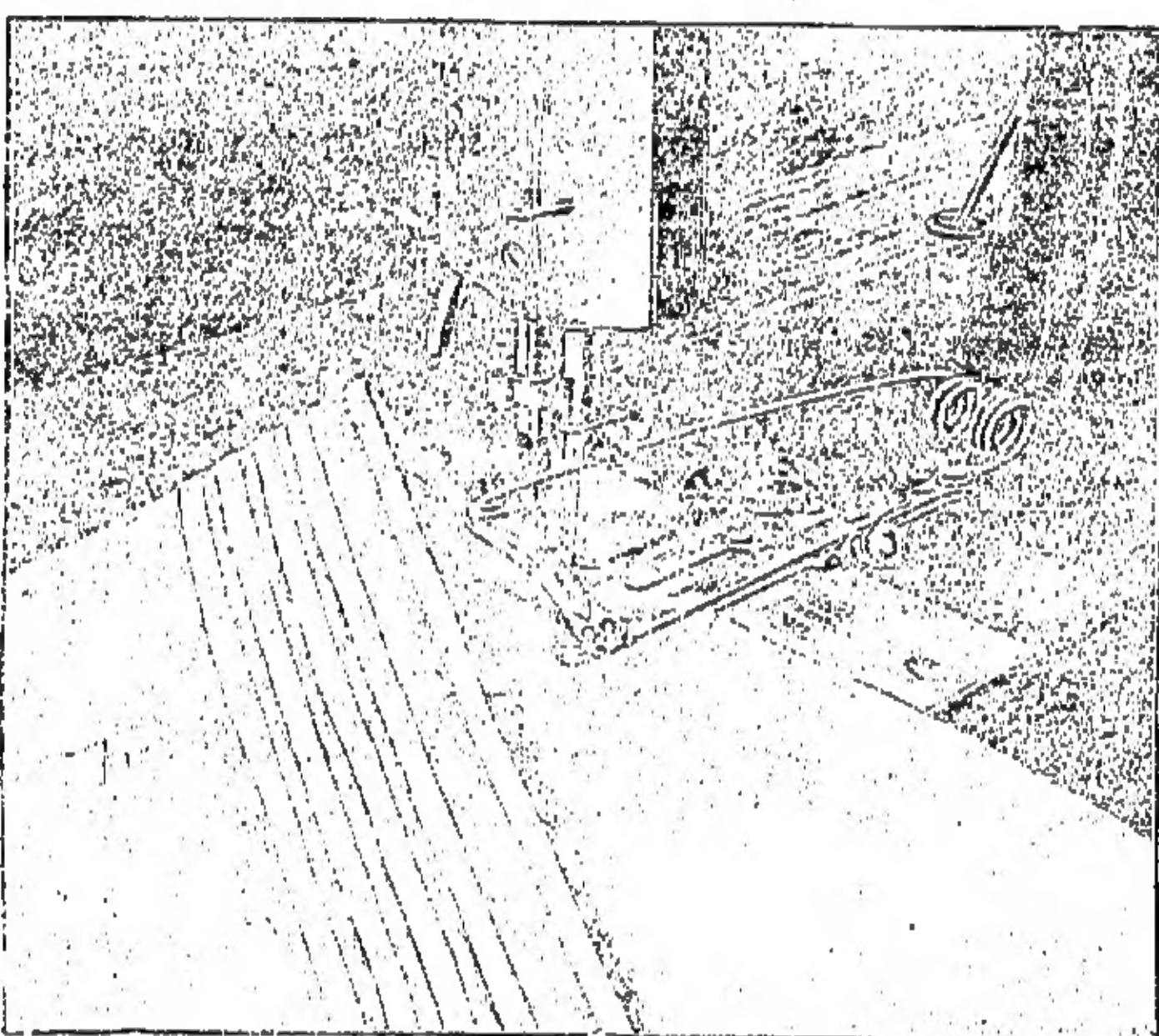
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Pheasant	ship	1015	8	1400	Comdr. W. H. Nicholson	Shanghai
Pique	cruiser, 2nd class	3600	8	7000	Capt. Harry C. Reynolds	Shanghai
Rambler	Surveying-vessel	635	6	650	Lt.-Com. Morris H. Smyth	Hongkong
Rinaldo	ship	980	10	1400	Com. D. St. A. Wake	
Robin	river gunboat	35	2	240		
Rosario	river gunboat	980	10	1400	Comdr. G. A. W. Hamilton	Hongkong
Sandpiper	ship	85	2	240	Lieut.-Com. Murray Lockhart	Tungting Lake
Snipe	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. Worsley	Hongkong
Swift	gun-vessel, 2nd class	750	2	800	Fleet Reserve	
Taku	torpedo boat destroyer	260	6	600	Fleet Reserve	
Talbot	cruiser, 2nd class	6000	11	9000	Captain F. G. Stirling	Hongkong
Tamar	receiving ship	450	6	—	Commodore Robinson	Hongkong
Teal	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. R. W. Dalgety	Shanghai
Tweed	coast defence gunboat	363	3	200	Lieut. Forbes	Wooching
Vestal	ship	980	10	1400		
Waterwitch	Surveying ship	620	—	450		
Whiting	torpedo boat destroyer	350	6	5800	Lt.-Com. C. Mackenzie, D.S.O.	Newchwang
Woodcock	coast defence ship, armoured	2750	4	1000	Fleet Reserve	Weihaiwei
Woodcock	river gunboat	150	2	550	Lieut.-Com. Hugh Somerville	Hongkong
Woodcock	river gunboat	150	2	550	Lieut.-Com. Chilcott	Shanghai

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General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, September 27.—
Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of The
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd., at the
Company's Office.
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-
ture, at No. 6, Victoria View, Kow-
loon.

MONDAY, September 29.—
Goods per *Somera* undelivered after noon
on this date subject to rent and land-
ing charges.
5.30 p.m.—Meeting of Hongkong St.
Andrew's Society in the City Hall.
Transfer Books of The Union Insurance
Society of Canton, Ltd., closed from
this date to the 8th October, inclusive.

TUESDAY, October 30.—
5.15 p.m.—Meeting of Hongkong Hockey
Club in the Cricket Pavilion.
9 p.m.—Performance at the City Hall.

WEDNESDAY, October 1.—
9 a.m.—Opening of Kowloon School.
9 a.m.—Opening of German School.
2 p.m.—Sale of Work at the Italian
Convent from this date to the 8th Inst.
9 p.m.—Meeting of Zethland Lodge.

THURSDAY, October 9.—
Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of The
Union Insurance of Canton, Ltd., at
the Head Office.

FRIDAY, October 14.—
Auction of Fine Block of Buildings abut-
ting on that portion of Lee House Lane.



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BIRTH.

On August 11, the wife of A. R.
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DEATH.

On September 22, at Wuchow, Mazie,
of Osborne, Ohio, U.S.A., the beloved
wife of Rev. J. L. Hoss, Christian and
Missionary Alliance, in her 39th year.

The publication of this issue commenced
at 5.30 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 1902.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Specie Bank Dividend.

The half-yearly general meeting of the
shareholders of the Yokohama Specie Bank,
held on the 10th inst., declared a net profit
for the last half-year of yen 1,965,673, and
a dividend at the rate of 13 per cent. per
annum.

No Quarantine at Saigon.

Messrs Lamke and Rogge inform us
that they are in receipt of a telegram from
Messrs W. G. Hule and Co., Saigon, to the
effect that quarantine at that port against
arrivals of vessels from Hongkong has been
removed.

Hanoi Exposition.

The Committee of the Hanoi Ex-
position, after a long discussion, has decided to
grant free entry to the Exposition grounds.
If they will now grant free passage from all
ports to Haiphong, the success of the Ex-
position is assured.

Wesleyan Army and Navy Chaplain.

At the recent Conference of the
Wesleyan Methodist Church in Manchester,
the Rev. W. Brille, of Canton, was ap-
pointed Army and Navy Chaplain in Hong-
kong, in succession to the Rev. C. Bone,
who leaves for England, on furlough, early
in 1903.

Forged Bank Notes.

A number of raised \$25 notes of the
Netherlands Trading Co. are believed to be
in circulation in Deli, and some have
already been passed to and refused by the
Chartered Bank there, says the *Strait*
Times. The \$25 notes have been raised to
\$100, and the change has been so skillfully
effected that it requires an expert to detect
the difference between the bad notes and
the genuine ones. In fact the work is done
in Europe. The public are warned about
the danger of accepting such notes.

As regards the foregoing, the *Penn*
Gazette advertises \$500 reward for any
information that will lead to the conviction
of the guilty parties concerned in the
circulation, at Penang, of certain forged
notes on the Medan branch of the Nether-
lands Trading Co.

An Old Friend.

Some local residents who were victim-
ized by a young American 'millionaire' a
few months ago will be interested in the
following paragraph:—On the 11th inst.,
the man Clifford, who was recently brought
back from Yokohama to answer a charge of
obtaining goods under false pretences, was
to have been brought before the Pre-
liminary Court Judge. Previous to this
(says the *Kobe Chronicle*), an attempt was
made to obtain a photograph of the
prisoner. This endeavour, however, he
resisted by every means in his power,
holding up his head, turning his head to
one side or the other, or covering his face
with his hands. Whether the photograph-
ers succeeded in the end or not we have not
learned, but he certainly had a very difficult
task before him. An endeavour had been
made to take the photograph in prison the
day before, but it was unsuccessful, the
prisoner attempting to smash the ap-
paratus.

The English Language.

A correspondent writes to the *Courier*
d'Haiphong:—"Rule Britannia" is sung
without cessation by the English people,
and wherever one goes, without doubt, the
English element dominates in one form or
another. It is not very flattering to our
self-esteem to have to make this confession,
but in every part in China, be the number
of our nationals large or small, Frenchmen
drop their own language to 'jargonner'
that of England. In French commercial
houses, the employees do not know a word
of French; in the office of the *Compagnie*
des Messageries Maritimes at Hongkong I
found only one employé who could speak a
few words of my mother tongue. And in
the French Consulate, I was received
frequently, in the absence of the officials,
by a Chinaman, who just understood that
those functionaries were not there—a use-
less advantage, for it was not possible to
get him to explain how long they would be
absent. Even in a French store where I
had gone to make some purchases I was
handed a price-list printed in English! I
have even met in Hongkong a French mer-
chant who could not speak our language! He
knew a few words, but it was impossi-
ble to carry on a conversation with him as
he did not understand a number of expres-
sions.

MRS Rooft has much pleasure in testifi-
ing to the good received by her
through taking Stearns' Wine of Cod Liver
Oil. She has also recommended it to
several friends.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.

H.M.S. *Archipel* arrived at Singapore
on the 15th inst.

Rain has fallen at Singapore, and the
scarcity of water is now less stringent.

Why is asparagus like a sermon?
Because the end is the part you enjoy most.

Parcel mails for Europe per s.s.
Bengal will close at 3 p.m. on Friday, the
26th September.

M. Beau, the new Governor-General
of Indo-China, is expected at Saigon about
the 15th of October.

There was a general manning of the
defences of Singapore by the garrison early
the morning of the 16th inst.

Mr N. Trotter, Postmaster General at
Singapore, who has but recently recovered
from a serious attack of illness, goes on
short leave.

General Dods, formerly Commander-
in-Chief of the French troops in Indo-
China, arrived at Marseilles on the 13th
inst., on board the *Yarra*.

M. Gustave Alby, Administrator of
Kwangchow-wan, has married Mlle. Louis
Lafitte, daughter of a former Deputy, and
returns to Kwangchow-wan in November.

Rabies has been so prevalent among
the dogs at Benin in Tonkin that the
authorities have had to adopt stringent
measures to reduce the number of pariahs.

An Italian army officer, named Captain
Caprilli, mounted on a horse named
Melopo, has succeeded in clearing a fence
8 ft 8 in high, which easily beats the pre-
vious world's best.

The bronze statue of Jules Ferry for
Haiphong left Marseilles in the *Dordogne*
on the 16th July last. It is hoped it will
be unveiled before the opening of the
Hanoi Exposition. The cost of the statue
was France 14,000.

An official despatch was received by
the Governor-General of Netherlands-India
last week announcing the death of Dr T.
A. J. van Asch van Wyk, the Netherlands
Minister for the Colonies. Dr van Asch van
Wyk was formerly Governor of Surinam
Dutch Guiana. Owing to his intervention in
the matter, that Colony is now about to be
opened up energetically under the Gover-
norship of Mr Lely, formerly the Nether-
lands Minister of Commerce and Industry.

Capt. Chas. Wood, son of Sir Evelyn
Wood, commanding the Second Army
Corps, had a narrow escape on Aug. 10.
Accompanying his father and Colonel
Grierson in a motor car to Aber-
deen, the machine refused to ap-
proach the bridge, ran upon the pave-
ment and into the wall of a shop, just
missing a plate-glass window. Capt.
Wood, who had alighted, was nearly
caught between the car and the wall.

The Channel Traffic.

A turbine steamer, capable of crossing
from Dover to Calais in 45 minutes, has
been ordered for the Channel traffic.

St. Paul's Cathedral.

Alarming cracks have appeared in the
southern portion of St. Paul's Cathedral.
Extensive underpinning will be necessary
at a cost of between £40,000 and £80,000.

Subsidy to Shipping.

It is reported that the British Govern-
ment will handsomely subsidise the Cunard
Steamship Company on condition that the
company remains altogether in British
hands.

Dangerous Baggage.

The *Bangkok Times* of the 9th inst.
says:—One of the biggest seizures of emug-
ged goods that has taken place in Bangkok
for some time was made yesterday on the
arrival of the *Dmai*. As usual the passen-
gers were asked whether they had any
goods to declare, and one young man, a
French subject, stated that he had only a
couple of guns and a few cartridges. Mr
H. G. Lambert, the chief inspecting
officer, was suspicious of this gentleman's
loggia and carefully examined the packets
marked 'Victor Philadelphie'; the name
of the stranger. Four chests were dis-
covered, labelled 'Provisions; Bangkok';
and consigned to P. Victor, which of course
was the owner's name reversed. The con-
tents of the chests, however, were scarcely
so innocent as the label would have given
the casual passer to believe. When the
lids were removed it was found that the
provisions took the form of gunpowder.
Altogether there was 1350 lbs. of powder,
contained in 1 lb. tins. M. Philadelphie,
the alleged owner of the tins, was taken to
the French Consulate, where he was tried
this morning for attempting to defraud the
revenue. A fine of 800 ticals was imposed
and the gunpowder confiscated. As gun-
powder sells at 4 ticals per lb. at present and
as freight had been paid on the four chests
it will be seen that the importer will be out
of pocket to the extent of some 7,000 ticals.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Smallpox.

There has been an epidemic of small-
pox at Saigon, but, fortunately, few Euro-
peans were attacked by the disease. The
garrison was vaccinated as a precaution.

The Stranded Transport.

The French transport *Cochet*, report-
ed by our Special Telegram from Singapore
to be ashore on the Batu Beranti Shoal,
was on her way to Europe with invalid and
time-expired soldiers from Tonkin.

Chartered Bank Dividend.

Mr T. Cochrane, Acting Manager of the
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and
China, writes to us under this date:—We
have this morning received from our Lon-
don Office a telegram advising that a divi-
dend has been declared for the past half
year to 30th June at 10 per cent per annum,
free of income tax, payable on and after
22nd October.

Neill-Frawley Company.

The theatre-going public will be pleas-
ed to learn that the Neill-Frawley Com-
pany which is coming on to Hongkong by
the *Korea*, will play for two nights, here.
On the first night, 30th inst., 'Secret
Service' will be staged, and on the follow-
ing night 'Lord and Lady Algy.' Both
plays are full of humour, and have had long
runs in London and New York. Booking is
already brisk for the first performance.
Those wishing to secure seats should visit
the Robinson Piano Co. as early as possible.

Pirates in Tonkin.

It transpires that the Chinese robbers
who attacked a convoy of sick soldiers in
Tonkin recently were armed with Reming-
ton rifles. The convoy succeeded in beat-
ing off the Chinese, who left two dead and
five wounded on the field. It is reported
that while the camp of the 2nd Tonkinois
(the new Chinese regiment) was asleep,
enterprising pirates entered one night re-
cently and stole twelve carbines of the
1902 model. Our Haiphong contemporary
pokes fun at the regiment, whose sentries
must have been asleep, too. This affair
took place at Seven Pagodas.

Liquid Fuel v. Coal.

Opinions regarding the respective
merits of fuel oil and coal seem to differ.
A two months' trial of fuel oil as a sub-
stitute for coal, about 1,000 barrels of
crude oil being burnt daily, was recently
concluded by the Standard Oil Company at
Bayonne, in New Jersey. According to
trustworthy authority, says a dispatch, the
company has decided that the cheapest
grade of coal—poor and dust mixed with
coke obtained from its refining stills—is
both better and cheaper than fuel oil. The
company has now obtained a supply of soft
coal, and abandoned the use of fuel oil at
Bayonne.

'In the Usual Manner.'

There is a good story going the rounds
(says the *Strait Times*) about the Coronation
Decorations of H.M.S. *Algerine*, which
celebrated the occasion at the out-
let of the way port of Peking. Some of the
officers were in the bungalow of Mr Flem-
ing, the District Officer, where they were
engaged in the seasonable pursuit of
signifying the same in the usual manner,
while they viewed the good ship, 'gaily
decorated with a stream of bunting from
fore to aft, riding lazily in the Roads. The
bunting had just been slung out, and they
were all observing how nice it looked, and
how good it was to have a warship ready
and willing to come up on great occasions
and display the night of Empire at Peking,
when Mr Fleming's head servant came in
upon them. He pointed to the sloop of
war ablaze in her holiday frills and fur-
bells. 'This signal no longer pleases,' said
he, 'No can find in Signal Book.'

A Gunner Decorated.

Gunner George Mascull, R.N., was
introduced into the King's presence on
board the Royal yacht on 13th ult., and
the King was pleased to affix the Con-
spicuous Service Cross to his left breast for
his gallant conduct during the action with
the *Taku* forts and the cutting out of the
Chinese destroyers early morning of June 17,
1900. He was one of the first of the board-
ing party which took the *Hai Loong*, taking
a very prominent part in the hand-to-hand
scuffle with her crew, and promptly turning
her guns on to a large body of the enemy,
smashing from the dockyard walls and cover-
ing a sortie to disperse them. He subse-
quently took charge of the three prizes for
three days with a very reduced crew. It
was impossible to anchor them, their cables
having been cut, so it was necessary to
berth them alongside the wharf at Tongku,
making this a very responsible and anxious
duty, owing to the continual sniping and
raids from marauding hands from the sur-
rounding houses. He also took part in the
surprise and capture of the *Hsiu Cheng*
fort, rendering most useful assistance in
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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Suicide.

On the night of the 22nd inst., a
young woman, the wife of a farmer living
at Sheung Shui, committed suicide by
hanging herself to a bed-post. Deceased
was twenty-two years of age. No cause
is known for the rash act.

An Incipient Fire.

Last night, fire broke out in the ground
floor of a house at No 23 Centre Street,
occupied as a chandler's shop. The flames
were extinguished by the shop people, so
that it was not necessary to call out the
Fire Brigade. The damage was slight.

Japanese Volcano Active.

It is reported (says the *Kobe Chronicle*
of the 12th inst.) that quantities of ashes
and water-gas have been emitted during
the last few days from Shirane mountain
at Joshi, Gumma prefecture, and thatashes
have fallen to a depth of about three inches
in the vicinity of the hot springs at Manza.

Russian Asiatic Squadron.

A Tokyo dispatch states that the
Russian Asiatic Squadron has been
strengthened this year by two or three
vessels, and that two battleships of 12,074
tons each, and two cruisers, one of 7,800
tons and the other of 6,630, are to be added
in the course of the year. One of the
battleships, the *Pobieda*, is expected to ar-
rive before the end of the present month.
The vessels to be sent out, it is said, are
all new or built comparatively recently. A
telegram from our own correspondent in
yesterday's issue (says the *Kobe Chronicle*
of the 12th inst.) says it has transpired that
the majority of the torpedo-boats now
being built in St Petersburg and the Nevsky
yard are destined for the Far East, and
would be sent this year.

The Art Journal.

The *Art Journal* for August, published
by 'Virtue and Co., opens with a choice
original etching by Fullwood. 'An English
Pastoral', reproducing scenery familiar to
Shakespeare, is well worth a frame. Lovers
of North-west Yorkshire will have recalled
to them by Mr Quinton's 'Wharfedale',
the scenery and romantic associations of
Bolton Abbey. By word and illustration
the sixty miles of river are made to yield
their characteristics, both rugged and
smooth. Mr Tomson's 'Cerne Abbas' is
similarly well done, though its subject is in
great contrast. Here by aid of artist we
wander among the scenery of Mr Hardy's
novels. In 'The Best of Richard Doyle',
Mr Lusk shows how a delicate genius at the
behest of public fancy gave himself to work
of a cheaper form than he was capable of.
Many of his cartoons appeared in *Punch*,
and Doyle it was who designed that won-
derful cover for *Punch*. He did excellent
work for Mr Ruskin. How he could put a
gracious idea into decorative fancy is shown
in the remarkable plate at the end of
Forster's 'Life of Goldsmith', which plate
is reproduced here. Mr Walter Crane
gives his second article on 'Decorative
Art at Turin.' He is bitter at the
thought of Britain's refusal to support the
British section, as other governments did
theirs. 'Doves and Pigeons' by Miss All-
port—with some good and interesting
drawings,—and the continuation of Dr Mac-
millan's 'Rochiemurchus', serve to com-
plete a varied and bright number. The
reproductions are mostly well done and the
letterpress is clear.

Shocking Cruelty to a Girl.

At the Magistrate's this morning, before
Mr J. H. Kemp, Police Sergeant Mac-
Swayed (No 14) charged a married woman
named Chan Chy, residing at Station
Street, Yaumatei, with cruelty to a young
girl. The story Sergeant MacSwayed told
revealed the most shocking depravity on
the part of the accused, who appeared in
Court carrying a young child. Dr Has-
san, of the Indian Medical Staff, had heard
the prisoner belabouring the child, and re-
ported the affair to the police. Sergeant
MacSwayed went to the house, and found
the girl covered with the most terrible
bruises from head to foot. She is only 12
years of age, and she was sold by an elder
brother, whose whereabouts she does not
know, to the husband of the accused. The
man treated her kindly, but the woman
beat her with a chopper, a broom, and a
bamboo cane, on one occasion recently
tying her hand and foot and whipping her
severely in the kitchen. Her arms bore
the marks of the chopper, wales across the
arms showing that the prisoner must have
set herself deliberately to the task of dis-
figuring if not of maiming the girl, who is
undergrown and badly nourished. Learn-
ing that the police were after her, the Ser-
geant went to a neighbour's house, but she
was arrested eventually by the Sergeant.
When charged with the offence she admit-
ed her guilt, but stated that the girl was
disobedient. Mr Kemp remanded the case
till to-morrow. The woman's husband is a
foreman in the Naval Yard.

The Old Lady (in a railway carriage): 'I
object to smoking.' The Navy: 'Quite
right, mum. It's a bad habit for ladies
of your time o' life.'

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Ancient Coins Unearthed.

Bronze coins to the number of 7500
have been unearthed at Owerent, in Mon-
mouthshire. They date from the fourth
century.

Parcels Post.

The British Government is co-operat-
ing with the American Express Company,
which proposes to establish a parcels post
in the United States at the beginning of
September.

Chinese Coolie Trade.

TELEGRAMS.

[REUTERS SERVICE.]

THE CAPE MARIAL LAW COMMISSION.

London, September 23rd, 1902.
The Martial Law Commission in South Africa has prepared a first list recommending the immediate release of one hundred and thirteen prisoners.

THEIR MAJESTIES IN LONDON.

Their Majesties King Edward and Queen Alexandra will lunch at the Guildhall on the 25th of October, the date of the Royal progress through the City, and they will attend the Coronation thanksgiving service to be held at St. Paul's Cathedral on the 26th October.

TO AID DISTRESSED BOERS.

The Boer Generals, lecturing at Rotterdam yesterday on behalf of distressed Boers, announced that an American had contributed one hundred thousand dollars to the fund, and that the lecture at Antwerp had yielded four hundred pounds.

THE TRANS-ISTHMIAN RAILWAY.

The American warship *Panther* has arrived at Colon with 350 marines and six field guns for the protection of the Trans-isthmian railway.

THE BOER GENERALS' MANIFESTO.

The Boer Generals in a manifesto appeal to the civilized world on behalf of the widows and orphans of the ruined Boer people. They state they are about to tour Europe and America with a view to organizing a relief fund, and declare that ten times the small sum granted by Great Britain would be insufficient to cover even the direct losses of the war.

RUSSIA AND FINLAND.

Russia has drafted new and drastic laws subjecting the administration of the judiciary (including the Senate) of Finland to the control of the Governor-General, and freeing the latter and his subordinates from all responsibility.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 25th at 12.10 p.m. the barometer has risen considerably over S. China, and moderately in Luzon. The low pressure area appears to exist still to the E. of Formosa. It is probably filling up or moving towards N.E.

The Northern depression has moved N.E. and lies in the extreme North of the Sea of Japan.
An anti-cyclone of considerable intensity covers China, and heavy N.E. monsoon prevails along the coast and over the N. part of the China Sea.
Forecast:—fresh N. winds; fair, squally.

Chamber of Commerce.

A Special General Meeting of the Chamber of Commerce will be held on Friday, the 2nd October, to elect a representative in the Legislative Council, the Hon. R. Sheehan's term in lieu of Mr. T. H. Whitehead having expired.

Tanjong Pagar Docks.

The report of the Tanjong Pagar Dock Company's meeting to-day is invested with more than ordinary significance, says the *Singapore Free Press* of the 17th inst. Usually it is a more dividend-allooting function, interesting chiefly to shareholders. In the Chairman's speech will be found two points of general interest—a warning to shareholders that they must not expect regularly the bonus which compensates them for the fall in exchange, because that would mean raising the charges levied by the Company; and some indication of the schemes for improving the wharf and warehouse accommodation. Mr. Anderson points out that this is no time to think of raising the charges made by the Company, in face of increasing competition from surrounding ports, some of which in equipment start where Tanjong Pagar leaves off. Shipping people will probably not be too well-content with the continuance of the present charges, and no doubt could adduce instances where they ought to be reduced. Taken all round the charges may not exceed those in ports similarly placed, although they have been framed to meet a rate of interest on capital not usually obtained now. Complaints are, however, made of some charges being unduly high in comparison with Hongkong and Colombo, and it would seem advisable to institute careful inquiries as to whether the Company does not lose work by that unfavourable comparison. Of the 'Eastern Development Scheme,' which is to cost a million dollars and add to berths and storage facilities, the details furnished are still meagre, and the reticence observed causes unfavourable comments at a time when the large Harbour Improvement Scheme of Messrs. Coode and Matthews is being carefully considered. That many improvements have been made in the Company's facilities for warehousing will be cheerfully admitted. That the proposed additions to the wharfage accommodation will meet the needs of the Port for even a short time is still greatly doubted.

FRANK: "Were you actually surprised, as you said, when I proposed it?" MAY: "Yes, indeed; I really had all but given you up."

COLLAPSED HOUSE ENQUIRY.

To-day's Proceedings.

This morning, at the Magistrate, Mr. F. A. Hazeland opened an enquiry into the circumstances attending the death of ten Chinese persons at Nos. 30 and 32 Kowloon City Road on the 18th July last.

The following jury was empanelled:—C. H. W. Kew, F. G. Channutt, and S. A. Joseph.

Mr. H. L. Denny, Crown Solicitor, appeared on behalf of the Government, and made an opening statement. He said that the enquiry was held under the Coroner's Abolition Ordinance where the Magistrate was sitting in the position of Coroner to enquire into the cause of the death of ten people alleged to have been killed by the falling of certain houses at Kowloon City Road—nos. 30 and 32 and the other known as No. 32 though not actually numbered. Their death was caused at about a quarter to six o'clock on the evening of the 18th July last. At the time, a typhoon was signalled, and the wind was blowing strongly, but he would put it to the jury that there was not sufficient wind to account for the falling of these houses and killing all these people if those houses had been properly built. Those houses were the property of the Hongkong Land Investment Co. They formed the end houses of two blocks of buildings each consisting of fifteen houses. They were built under the supervision of Messrs. Leigh and Orange, well-known architects in this Colony. The work was looked after by an overseer whose name is Harry Andersen. He was a Norwegian sailor, and he was paid by the Hongkong Land Investment Co. the sum of \$80 per month. The work was given to a Chinese contractor—or, rather, to a Chinese contractor firm, which consists of two partners, called the Leung Cheung. They were included in the same contract another twenty houses which were being built on the other side of the street. The Company agreed to pay \$145,000 for the fifty houses. Upon the 19th March in this year a certificate was granted by the Director of Public Works—in the name of the Director of Public Works, he should say, because the Director of Public Works did not himself see these houses or know anything about them. The certificate set forth that the houses were built in compliance with the Building Ordinance, No. 15 of 1889, as amended by other Ordinances. That was a regard to No. 30, and that was the house in which the deceased were at the time they were killed. It was the most northerly house on the block. Between Nos. 30 and 32 there was a lane, 15 feet wide, and No. 32 was on the opposite side of the lane. No. 32 was completed about June last, and it has not yet received the certificate for occupation from the Director of Public Works and has never yet been inhabited. On the 18th of July, there were twenty-two people living in No. 30. The ground floor was occupied by carpenters employed by the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.; the first floor was occupied by some boiler-makers; and the top floor was occupied by the wife and family of the head boiler-maker. The entrance to the upper floors, as is usual in the Colony, was distinct from the ground floor. The twenty-two people in No. 30 had just finished their evening meal, and, speaking broadly, they were all in good health and strong, perfectly well, when suddenly the houses collapsed killing ten of them. In the majority of the cases, the cause of death was fracture of the skull. At the time the accident happened, the wind was from the W.N.W., and it was blowing across the high wall at the back of these houses, and he thought after they had heard all the evidence they would come to the conclusion that the wind did not actually directly cause the fall of these two houses. It might have caught the gable of the upper portion of No. 32 and caused it to fall, but the force of the wind did not blow these two houses down. The people who were in the house said that a portion of No. 32 fell against No. 3, and that then the wall of No. 30 fell outwards, another portion of No. 32 falling at the same time. It was possible that after they had heard the evidence they would conclude that the wind caught the gable of No. 32 and throw it over the lane against No. 30, and that the almost immediate result was the fall of No. 30. Which fell first it would be extremely difficult to say, and he did not know that it made any difference to the culpability—if there was any culpability—on anybody's part whether one fell first or the other. The owners were the same, the architects were the same, the contractors were the same, the overseer was the same, and so it would not make much difference in their verdict whether they found that No. 30 or No. 32 fell first. The object of this enquiry was to find out how those ten people—ten healthy people—were suddenly hurried into eternity. They were killed while in that house immediately after their evening meal. In coming to a conclusion as to how those people came by their death it would not be sufficient to say that they were killed by the debris of falling brickwork or falling timber. It was for the jury to enquire carefully into the whole of the facts connected with the construction of these houses, and for them to say, after careful enquiry, whether or not any one was responsible, criminally responsible or otherwise for the deaths of these people. Under the Coroner's Ordinance, the Magistrate had power, committing any person against whom the jury might find a verdict, to commit him for trial at the Supreme Court without any further proceedings being entered into. He did not say that the jury would find anybody criminally guilty in this case, but it would be for them to weigh most carefully the whole of the evidence, and to find whether anybody was criminally negligent for the way in which the houses were built, for the manner in which the work was done, for allowing people to inhabit the houses before they were fit for habitation. He would put it to them that in this case these houses were perfectly new. They were built by a wealthy Company, and he did not think the jury would find that the sum the Company paid was at all insufficient. The Secretary would tell them that he did not accept the lowest tender, and that the Company was paying \$2000 for each house. For a Chinese house, he expected they would consider that was a reasonable sum to pay; and if they paid \$2000 for each house, if they engaged good architects, men of standing in their profession, and engaged a good contractor, the owners would not be to blame for any faulty construction in these houses. But it would be for the jury to consider whether the owners were responsible; for them

to consider very carefully whether the architects were responsible, whether the contractors were responsible, whether the overseer was responsible, or whether, after hearing all the evidence, anybody else was responsible. Here were perfectly new houses, supposed to be built of the best material, and yet they fell down and killed ten people, besides injuring others. There must be something wrong. There was a legal maxim—*res ipsa loquitur*, it speaks for itself. There was something wrong here; whether there was any criminal responsibility on the part of anyone was another matter. But these houses could not have been built in a proper or satisfactory way. He submitted to them there would be very little difficulty in finding that if the facts were as he represented them, it was unfortunate that the people who were killed by the fall of these houses were people who lived in them, but it was not because they were in them, but the jury or himself—walking along the street and there could be no doubt whatever that something must be done to prevent newly-built houses falling down in this way to the danger not only of the inhabitants but of anybody else using the street. Mr. Denny then directed the attention of the jury to the thickness of the Ordinance providing for the thickness of end walls of a certain length, remarking that the walls of the houses in question were thinner than the Ordinance required. He then dealt with the point of criminal responsibility, and said if anyone was found responsible in this case, it was a person who was guilty in law of manslaughter. He did not know whether any of the jury were in the Colony when the steamer *Wing Loong* was lost and the captain was tried for manslaughter, or when the *Yong* explosion occurred, and the captain was tried for manslaughter, but he mentioned these cases to show that people might be convicted of the crime of manslaughter although, in the ordinary everyday sense of the word, there was no criminal intention on their part. Nobody would suggest for a moment that in this case any of the parties connected with that building had any intention that those houses should not be properly built; but manslaughter did not require an intention, either expressed or implied. Manslaughter was defined as 'unlawful homicide without malice aforethought'; and it was set down that in a case of the death of any person by reason of the culpable negligence or incompetence of an architect he might be held responsible for manslaughter if he allowed a house to be built in such a way that it fell upon somebody. If, after hearing the evidence, they considered there was any ground for doing so, but they found there was any culpable neglect of duty on the part of the architect or anybody else, from which this accident immediately sprang, that person ought to be found guilty of manslaughter. Upon the idea that the house would fall down, of course, every act of negligence was guilty of negligence at some time or other; but it was not every act of negligence that was culpable or criminal. He did not say that the work was culpable for the purpose of putting money into the pocket of the contractor or anybody else, but if the work was scamped then he said that the person who scamped the work, although he has no idea that the house would fall down, would be guilty of manslaughter, and it would be the duty of the jury to find a verdict against that person.

Dr. William Hunter, medical officer in charge of the mortuary examinations, gave evidence as to the cause of death. A Chinese carpenter who was in No. 30 when the house collapsed, but who escaped into the street and informed the police of the collapse, was called to the witness stand. He stated that there was no wind blowing in at the front door, and the back door was closed. He escaped by the back door. The wind was not very strong. Evidence was also given with reference to Mr. A. Shilton Hooper, Secretary to the Hongkong Land Investment Co., stated in answer to questions by Mr. Denny that the fifty Chinese houses already referred to in the case before the jury were built by Messrs. Leigh and Orange were instructed to prepare plans and specifications. They obtained tenders for building the first thirty houses. Before these tenders were accepted, the Company decided to build twenty more houses. They eventually accepted the tender of the Leung Cheung firm for \$145,000. This was for the fifty houses. That was not the lowest tender. Witness had been in the Colony for sixteen years. For two years and six months he was the local material and labour, and he was strictly adhered to by all Chinese employers of such help, but it has been realised that, as the case with a former effort, this could hardly be successfully carried out.

For ourselves, we see no other solution of the problem than some form of regulation such as we urged a few days ago. This method has been adopted not only throughout the East but also in several places in Europe, notably in France and Germany. Whether or not we shall have such a system rests largely if not entirely, in the hands of the women themselves. If they care to organize, we believe that something practical can be devised and put into effect.

Italian Absconder Arrested.
The *Singapore Free Press* of the 17th inst. says:—Our readers will remember that last month quite a nine days wonder was caused by the disappearance of an Italian named Lucchi in the employ of Messrs. Pettie & Co. It was found out that a cheque of the firm for a sum of \$9,360 had been presented and cashed at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank. Lucchi was traced to Penang, where he got his money changed into a draft on Marseilles. Information had been wired through, however, and when the Japanese steamer arrived there he was arrested. The news of the capture was sent to Singapore, and Chief Detective Inspector Perrett will leave to-night for Penang, and after seeing the Magistrate will go on by the mail to Marseilles and bring back the wanderer here for trial.

'I SHALL call mamma if you attempt to kiss me,' she said softly. He hesitated and grew pale. 'Mamma is out attending the sewing society; the young lady hesitated to explain; then she cast her eyes demurely down and waited.

CHILDREN WHEN TEETHING.
HAVE more or less diarrhoea. This should be controlled and can be, by giving Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera, and Diarrhoea Remedy. Every household should have a bottle at hand. Get it to-day. It may save a life. For sale by All Dealers. WATKINS Ltd., General Agents.

THE ROBINSON PIANO CO.

The following was the report for presentation to shareholders at the half-yearly meeting held to-day:—

We have satisfaction in presenting to our shareholders a statement of accounts for the half-year ending the 30th June, 1902, and in reporting a continuation of most successful manufacturing and trading:—
Our profit for the half-year has been \$21,389.38
From which we have written off for depreciation of machinery and material in factory, bad and doubtful debts, &c. 3,181.43

Leaving to credit of profit and loss account a net sum of \$18,187.95
Equivalent of 24 1/2 per cent. per annum on the capital of the Company.

This we propose to deal with as below, etc.:—
To pay a dividend of 5 per cent. for the half-year, absorbing \$7,500.00
To write off good-will account (making \$10,500 in all) 3,500.00
To add to reserve \$21.11
To carry forward to new account the balance of 6,365.84

Our reserve now stands at \$20,178.89
And with the transfer as above of \$21.11
It will stand at \$20,157.78

We have re-taken our old Bangkok connection, and are receiving satisfactory results. Our limitation in Penang has also expired, and that field is now open to us. The accounts have been certified by Mr. W. Hutton Potts.

W. VAUGHAN ROBINSON,
General Manager.

THE SERVANT PROBLEM IN THE PHILIPPINES.
We can live without poetry, writing and books.
But civilized man cannot live without cooks.
In these, or somewhat similar, words, runs the old doggerel, which, like a good many of our old saws, contains a certain amount of truth and hard common sense, combined with world-wide application. Even here in the Philippines we feel its force. In a measure, it may be said that owing to the lack of good cooks, we do not live, but rather exist. Especially is this true of those whose means prevent much choice as to where and how they shall eat. They must be content to take what occasion offers, and fill their belly with the husks supplied by Filipinos and Chinese who pretend to a knowledge of the art culinaire.

Another feature of the problem is the difficulty in securing even these charlatans. Owing to the needless extravagance of army officers and others in employing Chinese and native help, the wages of these have gone up so enormously as to become almost prohibitive to those whose household expenses are run on a small and economical scale. Cooks, who formerly were well satisfied with twenty and twenty-five pesos a month, now demand all the way from forty to sixty and seventy, and when their services are given grudgingly and arrogantly. They, and not their employers, are the masters.

In Hongkong and elsewhere in the East, good Chinese cooks may be had for fifteen pesos a month, and boys to wait at table for about half that sum. They are generally well satisfied with twenty and twenty-five pesos a month, now demand all the way from forty to sixty and seventy, and when their services are given grudgingly and arrogantly. They, and not their employers, are the masters.

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Destination.	Vessels.	Agents.	Date of Leaving.
Amoy, Swatow, &c.	Nanchang (s)	Butterfield & Swire	September 27.
Australian Ports.	Chingta (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Sept. 30.
Australian Ports.	Taiyuan (s)	Butterfield & Swire	October 24.
Australian Ports.	Teinan (s)	Butterfield & Swire	November 15.
Australian Ports.	Ekorn (s)	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Oct. 2, at noon.
Australian Ports.	Kinnaird (s)	Hambury, Am'ka & Linie	October 4, at noon.
Bremen, &c.	Prinz Regent Luipold	Molchers & Co.	October 2, at noon.
Bremen, &c.	Preussen (s)	Molchers & Co.	October 16, at noon.
Havre and Hamburg.	Freiburg (s)	Hamburg-Am'ka Linie	October 8.
Havre and Hamburg.	Silvia (s)	Hamburg-Am'ka Linie	October 22.
Havre and Hamburg.	Umanak (s)	Hamburg-Am'ka Linie	November 6.
Havre and Hamburg.	Serbia (s)	Hambury, Am'ka & Linie	November 19.
Cebu and Iloilo.	Kailang (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Sept. 27, at noon.
Kobe	Taiyuan (s)	Butterfield & Swire	October 4.
Kobe and Yokohama.	Hitchi Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	Sept. 28, Daylight.
Kobe and Yokohama.	Wakusa Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	Oct. 10, Daylight.
London	Diomed (s)	Butterfield & Swire	October 20.
London	Nestor (s)	Butterfield & Swire	October 30.
London	Achilles (s)	Butterfield & Swire	October 14.
London	Menelaus (s)	Butterfield & Swire	October 28.
London, &c.	Bangal (s)	Butterfield & Swire	November 11.
Manille, London &c.	Awa Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	Sept. 27, at noon.
Manille v. Saigon.	Oceanian (s)	Messageries Maritimes	Oct. 4, Daylight.
Manila	Zafro (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Sept. 27, at 4 p.m.
Manila	Yueneng (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Sept. 30, at 4 p.m.
Manila	Rubi (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Oct. 2, at 4 p.m.
Manila, Koho & Ylua	Yawa Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	Sept. 27, at noon.
New York v. Suva.	Vandalia (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	Oct. 2, at noon.
New York v. Suva.	Hillizen (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	About Oct. 7.
New York v. Suva.	Richmond Castle (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	About Oct. 12.
New York v. Suva.	Afron (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	September 30.
New York v. Suva.	Indrani (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Sept. 30.
New York v. Suva.	Indra (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	October 11.
Shanghai.	Ballauff (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	October 2.
Shanghai.	Ikanu (s)	Butterfield & Swire	September 30.
Shanghai and Portland, Or.	Indravelli (s)	Portland & A. S. Co.	October 24.

S'pon, P'ang, Bombay	Hiroshima Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Oct. 10, at noon.
Store, Pang, Calcutta	Catherine Anwar (s)	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.	Sept. 27, at 3 p.m.
Store, Amoy & F'choo	Hatchings (s)	Douglas Laiphrac & Co.	Sept. 28, Daylight
Store, Amoy & F'choo	Daijin Maru (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha.	September 28.
Store, Amoy & T'ampui	Maizuru Maru (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha.	October 1.
Store, Amoy & F'choo	Anping Maru (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha.	October 6.
Store, Amoy & T'ampui	Daiji Maru (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha.	Oct. 6.
Yamouover (B.C.) & Co.	Hupoh (s)	Butterfield & Swire.	September 30.
Yamouover (B.C.) & Co.	Athenian (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	October 8.
Yamouover (B.C.) & Co.	Empress of China (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	October 22.
Yamouover (B.C.) & Co.	Empress of India (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	Nov. 19.
Victoria, B.C., Seattle	Shinano Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Oct. 6, at 4 p.m.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Plaiden (s)	Dowell & Co. Limited	October 10.
Victoria, B.C., Victoria	Victoria (s)	Dowell & Co. Ltd.	October 18.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Olympia (s)	Dowell & Co. Limited	October 24.
Victoria via Japan &c.	Hylon (s)	Butterfield & Swire	October 2.
Yam, S'hai, M'oi, Kobe	Jawa (s)	P. & S. N. O. Comp.	About Oct. 4.

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

SEPTEMBER 22, 1902.

Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Paid up.	Closing Quotations, Cash.
BANKS.				
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	80,000	£ 125	all	\$507 1/2 London, £23
National Bank of China, Limited	19,970	£ 10	£ 8	\$27, sellers
	29,255	£ 10	£ 8	\$27, sellers
Do. Founders' shares	750	£ 1	£ 1	\$10, sellers
MARINE INSURANCES.				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Ltd.	10,000	£ 250	£ 50	\$125, sellers & buyers
China Traders Insurance Co., Ltd.	24,000	£ 83.33	£ 55	\$284, sellers

Straits Insurance Co., Ltd.	30,000	50	100	50	20 in liquidation
Union Insurance Society, Ltd.	10,000	50	250	50	30,040, buyers
Yankee Insurance Association, Ltd.	5,000	100	100	50	60 \$127, sellers
FIRE INSURANCE.					
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	20,000	50	100	20	3844, buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	8,000	250		50	\$337, sales
DOCKS, ETC.					
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co. Ltd.	50,000	50	all	8205, sellers	
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited.	6,000	25	25	8474, sellers	
New Amoy Dock Co., Limited.	6,000	64	64	837, buyers	
S. O. Farnham, Boyd & Co., Ltd.	55,700	110	100	110	180, buyers
STEAMBOATS, TUGS, ETC.					
China and Manila S. S. Co., Ltd.	10,000	50	50	820	
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	50	all	8424, sellers	
H.K. O. and M. Steamboat Co., Ltd.	80,000	15	15	8364, sellers & sellers	
Indo-China S. N. Company, Limited	10,000	12	10	all	879, sellers
Star Ferry Company, Ltd.	10,000	10	10	830	
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	26,000	10	5	814, sellers	
Shanghai Tug Boat Co., Ltd.	2,000	1	2	21,17, 6, sellers	
Tokai and Nippon S. S. Co., Ltd.	8,000	50	100	100	240, buyers
Shanghai Cargo Boat Co., Ltd.	8,000	100	50	60	54, sales
Shanghai Cargo Boat Co., Ltd.	8,000	100	100	100	130, buyers
Co-operative Cargo Boat Co., Ltd.	3,000	100	100	100	130, buyers
REFINERIES.					

Tsuen Sugar Company, Limited,	7,000	\$	100	all	\$10, buyers
Forak Sugar Cane Cultivation Co., Ltd.,	7,000	\$	50	Tls 60	Tls. 77 1/2, buyers
WHARVES.					
H.K. & Kwong, Wharf & Godown Co.	30,000	\$	50	all	\$85, buyers
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co.,	20,100	Tls.	100	Tls	Tls. 300, buyers
LAND AND BUILDING.					
Hongkong Land Investment and	50,000	\$	100	100	\$172, sellers
Assam Company, Limited,	38,000	Tls.	50	Tls. 60	Tls. 116, sales
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Ltd.	0,000	\$	50	\$ 30	\$30, sellers
Kowloon Land and Building Company	2,764	Tls.	25	Tls	Tls. 184, sellers
Wei-hei-wei Land & Building Co., Ltd.	100,000	\$	10	all	\$174, buyers
Hemphreys Estate & Finance Co.,	12,500	\$	50	\$ 50	\$47 1/2, sellers
West Point Building Co., Limited,	1,250	\$	100	all	\$845, buyers
TRAMWAYS.					
H.K. High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$	5	all	\$17
Joleba Mining & Trading Co., Ltd.,	60,000	\$	10	all	\$44
New Punjom Mining Co., Ltd.,	60,000	\$	1	all	\$1, sellers
Preference shares,	16,000	Fcs.	250	all	\$550
Société Française des Charbons	200,000	\$	1	18/10	\$5, buyers
nages du Tonkin,	200,000	\$	1	18/10	\$5, buyers
Raub Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ltd.,	200,000	\$	1	18/10	\$5, buyers
HOTELS, ETC.					
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd.,	12,000	\$	50	all	\$129
Oriente Hotel, Manila,	7,000	\$	50	\$ 50	\$45, sellers
Astor House Hotel, Ltd. (Hankow),	10,000	Tls.	60	Tls. 60	Tls. 150, sellers
Astor House Hotel Co., Ltd. (Shanghai)	4,500	\$	100	\$ 100	\$36, sellers
DIFFERENTIALS.					
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited,	60,000	\$	10	all	\$144, sellers
Watkins Limited,	10,000	\$	10	\$ 10	\$7, buyers
MAGNETS.					
H.K. and China Gas Co., Limited,	7,000	\$	10	all	\$140, buyers
Shanghai Gas Company, Ltd.,	8,000	Tls.	50	Tls. 50	Tls. 120, sales
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited,	30,000	\$	10	\$ 10	\$13, sellers
New Electricity, new capital,	30,000	\$	10	\$ 5	\$6 1/2, sales & sellers

Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$	10	\$	10	Tls. 6125, buyers
Maulia Investment Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$	50	\$	50	Tls. 280, sellers
Bulls Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ltd.	8,504	£	12/6	£	12/6	Tls. 31, buyers
Unitid Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	5,000 shares					Tls. 4
Hongkong Bakery Company, Ltd.	100 shares					Tls. 384, sellers
Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd.	100 shares					Tls. 1515, buyers
Hongkong Dairy Company, Ltd.	7,000	\$	5	\$	5	Tls. 490
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$	71	\$	71	Tls. 388, sellers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	\$	25	\$	25	Tls. 5240, buyers
Shanghai Waterworks Co., Ltd.	7,200	£	- 20	£	20	Tls. 350, buyers
Tobacco Planting Company, Ltd.	20,000	£	3	£	3	Tls. 5 nominal
Hik Kong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	£	35	£	35	Tls. 1330, sellers
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	150,000	\$	10	\$	10	Tls. 816½ ex div, buyers
Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd.	17,500	Tls.	1- 6	Tls.	10	Tls. 40, sellers
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	Tls.	10- 3	Tls.	100	Tls. 35, sellers
Lau-Kung-Mow Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls.	100	Tls.	100	Tls. 45, sellers

Chin. Resident Loan Mortgage Co., Ltd.	50,000	20	1/2	1/2	sale
Chin. Borneo Company, Ltd.	7,500	20	15	20	sale & buyers
Universal Trading Co.	20,000	20	20	50	sellers
Robinson Piano Co. Ltd.	3,200	50	50	55	
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	10	n.l	35	sellers.
Wm. Powel & Limited	12,000	10	10	20	
TOTAL COMPANIES					
Shipping Tobacco Trust Co., Ltd.	20,000	50	50	45	sellers
Sumatra Limited	200	500	5	10	3/4, Nom.

LOANS.	Amount.	Value.	Interest.	Quotation.
Chinese Imperial 1886	£ 787,200	125	2 3/4 % p. annum	10 % prem.
			2500 and 3200	1 in Share-brokers.

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